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SUBJECT: UNCTAD COMMODITY CONSULTATIONS: ROLE OF
UNCTAD SECRETARIAT

REFERENCE: STATE 208183

1. E/C COUNS ON AUGUST 25 DISCUSSED SUBJECT WITH MUNIR
AKRAM, MFA DIRECTOR (UN AFFAIRS), AND LEFT AID MEMOIRE
DRAWN FROM REFTTEL.

2. AKRAM SAID THAT HIS MINISTRY WAS NOT HAPPY WITH SYG
COREA'S ACTIVITIES IN THE COMMODITY AREA, BUT FOR SOME-
WHAT DIFFERENT REASONS THAN THE USG. PAKISTAN'S REAL
INTEREST WAS IN HAVING UNCTAD CONCENTRATE ON TRADE
MATTERS, SUCH AS OBTAINING GREATER ACCESS TO DEVELOPED
COUNTRY MARKETS, AND IN FOSTERING CLOSER COOPERATION
BETWEEN UNCTAD AND UNIDO IN ORDER TO ACCELERATE THE
TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY TO THE DEVELOPING WORLD. HENCE
THE SYG'S PREOCCUPATION WITH COMMODITY MATTERS WAS
PREVENTING UNCTAD FROM GIVING ADEQUATE ATTENTION TO THE
AREAS OF PRIMARY INTEREST TO PAKISTANIS.

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3. AKRAM PROMISED THAT HIS MINISTRY WOULD PAY CAREFUL

ATTENTION TO USG VIEWS BUT POINTED OUT THAT THE GOP WAS
COMMITTED IN GENERAL TO SUPPORT THE G-77 POSITION
IN UNCTAD ON COMMODITIES.
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